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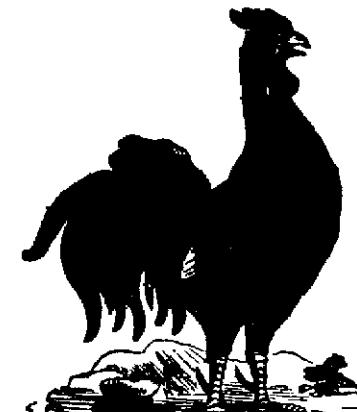
DECATUR, ILLINOIS, MONDAY, MAY 16, 1881.

NO. 89

FREE  
GIFT DISTRIBUTION!

Every purchaser of \$5.00 worth of goods from our large and well-selected retail stock, consisting of

## CLOTHING,



## HATS, CAPS

## Gents' Furnishing Goods, Etc.

Will be presented with a ticket entitling the holder to one share in the FREE GIFT DISTRIBUTION of the following Prizes:

## ONE \$50.00 IN GOLD.

25.00	"
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40.00	SUIT TO ORDER.
25.00	MAN'S SUIT.
25.00	OVERCOAT.
25.00	SUIT.
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20.00	YOUTH'S SUIT.
20.00	OVERCOAT.
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15.00	BOY'S OVERCOAT.
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15.00	PANTS TO ORDER.
15.00	ZINC TRUNK.
10.00	MOROCCO VALISE.
40.00	SEWING MACHINE.
20.00	AMERICAN CHINA QUEEN ANNE DINNER SET, from E. L. Bartholomew & Co.
15.00	HAWORTH CHECK ROWER.
15.00	BARREL FLOUR from B. S. Shulabarger & Co.

To be Given Away Mar. 2, 1882

## PANTS MADE TO ORDER FOR \$5.00.

J. R. RACE & CO.

March 10, 1881—d&w

## Trade Booming the Past Week!

## Sales Unprecedented, Good Goods, Low Prices

Prompt Attention, New and Attractive Goods Every Day, Every Sale a Bargain for the Purchaser. Have compared and know we are selling lots of Goods away below Jobber's prices three and four weeks ago. The break in prices fearful, and we propose our customers shall have the benefit. Five to 15 cents a yard worth saving.

NEW BONNETS, NEW HATS, NEW PARASOLS,  
NEW GLOVES, HOSIERY, &c., &c.

AT LOWER PRICES THAN EVER KNOWN.

Full Lines of Staples and Domestics at Jobber's rates.

S. G. HATCH & BRO.  
No. 10 Merchant St., Gehrmann's Old Stand.

May 4, 1881—d&w

## NOTICE OF SALE.

## How to Make Money!

Executrix's Sale of Real Estate.

\$1 in one \$40 often makes \$15 to \$20  
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MONDAY EVENING, MAY 16, 1861.

Madame JONES has a valuation real and personal of \$600,000,000, a local independent, \$400,000,000, and an aggregate of \$1,000,000,000.

ENGLISH manufacturers have gone to cover starting American brands of cotton cloth, for sale at the West Indies. Although the tickets and trade marks are made closely to resemble, the quality of the goods is inferior.

CHARLES COVET, a hotel waiter, who had so kindly showed his wife that she had to leave him and go to work as a waiter in the Atheneum (Kan.) restaurant, called the poor woman away from her work on Saturday afternoon and shot at her several times, inflicting mortal wounds. The hotel waiter then shot himself dead.

Madame JONES has the farms in all the Southern mountainous North Carolina to Texas show a great increase in the average of cotton planted this year over last, and in Georgia the yield is from 20 to 25 per cent. The weather has been unusually favorable for the past fortnight, and the young plants give promise of unusually fine crops.

The Tribune editor is never so happy as when he is abusing Republicans. In his paper this morning he says that there are still a few honest and patriotic men in that party. If there are only a few, it follows as a natural consequence that, in the judgment of the political Pharisee, the bulk of the Republican party is made up of thieves, swindlers and traitors.

Will this modern Daniel who has come to judge the motives and purposes of mankind be good enough to name the Republican merchants and business men, whose patronage alone keeps life enough in his paper to enable it to spit out the venom of its editor. Will he name those who belong to the "few" honest men of the party, and thus separate them from the Republicans "thieves" whose bread he eats. It is hardly possible that all the Republican pillars of the Review belong to the honorable "few" who are excepted from the mad maledictions of its editor. Some of them must of necessity be among the "thieves" who form the great bulk of the party, according to this paragon of political perfusion. Let him name the "thieves" who advertise in the Review.

POORMASTER GENERAL JAMES is evidently "the right man in the right place." This is indicated by the vigorous little speech he made the other evening at the annual banquet of the New York Chamber of Commerce, in the course of which, speaking of the investigation into the "star route" abuses now in progress under the direction of the President, he said:

"I do not say that they are aimed at a system and not men, but if this inquiry should disclose the fact that any persons have been guilty of corruption and fraud, they will be handed over to the Department of Justice, presided over by the intrepid, able and energetic Attorney General, Wayne MacVeagh.

The country may be assured that no mail necessary to the welfare of any community will be abolished or curtailed, while all unnecessary and wasteful expenditures shall be relentlessly cut off.

In other words, it is proposed that the postal services shall be conducted and distributed with strict regard to actual public requirements, and not with a view to serving private interests.

I will only add, in further reference to this subject, that it is the intention of the President, as embodied in his explicit instructions to myself and the honorable Attorney General, to pursue this investigation until there are no more facts connected with it to be ascertained. In conclusion, let me beg to assure you that no effort will be spared to vindicate the affairs of the Post Office Department faithfully, efficiently and economically; that an earnest endeavor will be made to meet the increasing demands of our growing country; that the business and social requirements of this great city, as well as those of other cities, so far as postal facilities are concerned, shall not be overlooked or ignored, and that no longer shall be neglected to give the nation a service of which it need not be ashamed.

ILLINOIS farmers are rejoicing over the improved prospects of the crops consequent upon the very favorable weather of the past two or three weeks. Winter wheat has improved immensely, and the prospect of 75 per cent. of a full crop is good, although a few weeks ago it was expected that 40 per cent. would not be realized. Corn-planting is being vigorously pushed; a large acre will be put in, and an immense crop is predicted. Fruit trees are in full bloom, and, with the exception of the peach, promise an abundant yield.—Chicago Journal.

We have a complete line of Notions and Ladies' Furnishing Goods. 11-d&w.

Frederick Douglass on John Brown.

A gentleman having shown Fred Douglass an original letter from John Brown, received the following acknowledgment:

MY DEAR SIR.—You have made me very much obliged to you for the letter of John Brown. Every line and syllable written by the grand old hero has an especial interest for me. About the time this letter of his was written he was living with me in Rochester, N. Y., and hence letters for him were directed to my care. There were reasons growing out of this "Free State Work" in Kansas which made it necessary at that time to avoid publicity. I never had under my roof at any time such an incarnation of justice and the true martyr spirit as when John Brown lived with me. He was a constant thorn in my side. I could not help feeling that this man's zeal in the cause of my enslaved people was holier and higher than mine. I could speak for my race, we could fight for my race. I could live for my race. John Brown could die for my race. My soul was bounded by time; he stretched away into the silent depths of eternity. His call to me was to come up higher, and not being able to rise to his height his calls troubled me; still I was drawn to him—loved him. He was one of the few men I have met with the greatness of whose soul grew upon me the more I saw of him. Thanks to Ingalls and to Edmunds—the two noble senators, one speaking for free and glorious Kansas, and the other for Vermont (whose green mountains were in the darkest days of slavery too sacred to hallow to tolerate the footprints of a slave hound) for the staggering tributes they gave to the senator who tried to stamp upon the grave of John Brown. But I only meant to thank you, which I do most heartily, for calling my attention to this letter of the glorious old hero and martyr.

FRANCIS DODGSON.

The Indolence of the French President

Paris Letter in the New York Tribune.

The president of the republic has at last determined to shake off dull sloth. His besetting sin is indolence. Parliament allows him, as it did MacMahon, 300,000 francs a year to travel through France. The heads of the executive, since the establishment of the first empire, have made progresses often through the country. A royal, imperial or presidential ruler gives a fillip to provincial towns by showing himself in them. His presence has a decentralizing action. It draws away blood from the great nerve-centre—Paris—where it is concentrated and congested. Grey ill understands this. He has not since he has gone to the Elysee expended so much as a franc on traveling expenses. Loud calls are being made by provincial notabilities for him to show himself. The municipalities of Brest, Nantes and Clermont (in Auvergne) have invited him in the Easter holidays to visit them. He has not yet quite made up his mind, but I think he will soon make a progress in Brittany. Harvey also wants to be honored by his presence at a local exhibition.

Merely Afflicted.

Mr. Frederick A. Potts, who was the Republican candidate for Governor of New Jersey last November, recently sent two of his three sons on a pleasure trip to Europe. Now came that both the young men were dangerously ill in Naples, and the third son left on the next steamer. Shortly after the steamer had sailed a report of the death of one of the young men, Harvey Potts, was received. Thereupon Mr. and Mrs. Potts sailed for Europe and they are now on the passage. On Sunday evening the dispatch announced the death in Paris of George H. Potts, the one who went to the assistance of his brothers.

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Families desiring pure ice can have the same delivered at their houses by leaving orders at Keeeler's hat store.

D. A. MURKIN

May 13—83w

Notes to Water Consumers.

Water rents are now due and must be paid at the city Clerk's office.

G. P. HARDY, City Clerk

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For Sale.

Summer Cooking Stoves that never get out of order—on this we challenge at Wiggett's Deafaur Lamp Store.

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CHEAP STORE

Gent's Linen and Alpaca Dusters at

STINE's 11—d&f

You will admire those comfortable slippers at J. W. Baker's.

april 1871

An Engineer.

Wants a situation; has 17 years experience, residence 46 East North street.

M. J. BROWN.

HARTFORD and Lowell carpeting new styles and beautiful colorings, just received by Linn & Bergeys.

March 26 d&w.

Wall Paper.

For a full assortment of magnificent wall paper, all grades, styles and prices, call at

J. T. HARD & CO'S.

Postoffice Block

PARENTS should not forget that their shoe bills can be reduced one-half by purchasing for their children shoes with the A. S. T. Black Tip upon them. They wear as long as the metal, while adding to the beauty of the shoe.

May 13—83w

We have a complete line of Notions and Ladies' Furnishing Goods.

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BEAR & EINSTEIN

## TELEGRAPHIC

NEWS, DATED.

Her Condition Thought to be Critical.

The Robertson Affair.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Mrs. Garfield was slightly improved at 1 o'clock this afternoon. The physicians attending Mrs. Garfield say there is a slight change for the better, but she is still in a very critical condition. She has constant fever, not distinctly typhoid, but of that nature, and it will be several days before the physicians can decide what will be the result. They can only say how they hope for the best. The excitement she has been subject to since last summer reduced her system, and the disease laid ready hold upon it. She is very weak.

Statements having been published that the military condition of the Executive Mansion was very bad, and that the illness of Mr. Garfield is partly attributed to that cause, the three Republican members of the Senate Committee on Public Buildings—Messrs. Rollins, Morrill and Augustus Cameron—called at the Executive Mansion to-day and inspected the building, with a view of reporting its condition to Congress.

Dr. Pope reports to-night that the symptoms of Mrs. Garfield's disease presented a more favorable aspect, and that she has passed a more comfortable day.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Gen. Walker, superintendent of the census, expects that the forthcoming report, when completed, will be seven times as large as that of the census of 1870.

It is announced very positively that the removal of Republican postmasters in Virginia and the appointment of their adjusters in their places has been summarily stopped. Of late numbers of Republicans from Virginia have visited the President to protest against turning members of that party out of office to make room for Headliners. It is said that the President has stated to these visiting Republicans his wish that the regular Republican organization of the state shall be maintained intact; that the party may, if it sees fit, make an alliance with the Headliners, but, if any such policy is pursued, it should be adopted by the Republicans as a whole as an organization, further, that the President has expressed his purpose to give the control of patronage in Virginia to Republicans in that state.

Congressman Whittaker, speaking of the Mahone and Virginia movement, says: "The Republican party is never going to divide the south with Mahone, —, never. The south is in a condition to be divided, but to try it with Mahone is only to make it more solid than ever. The south can be divided. Give us a war with Mexico, or something lively, and the break may come, but not with Mahone."

GRAYSON, Ky., May 15.—The Regulators of Carter county have effected a thorough organization for the summer campaign, and will ride in full force during the entire season, punishing with merciless justice all evil doers. Last Thursday night on the Smoky Fork of the Buffalo Fork of Tygart, a party of Vigilantes visited the house of Townsend Bellamy. He was accused of incot. He and his three sons and son-in-law were whipped three or four weeks ago for gross immorality. This time the Regulators intended to hang the unnatural father. They surrounded the house and attempted to force an entrance. Bellamy made his escape from the house by a rear door and made a bold break for liberty. The Regulators fired upon him, and he fell with five balls in his body. He is not expected to live. The Regulators in the vicinity complain of the administration of the civil officers, charging them with partiality and injustice. They threaten to straighten matters and they probably will.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Several Republican senators, heretofore known friends of Senator Conkling, but now extremely anxious to maintain friendly relations with the President, have not abandoned all idea of bringing about a compromise between these two officials over the Robertson nomination. The prevailing opinion, however, is that the time has passed for any satisfactory arrangement or reconciliation, and that the senate will be forced to dispose of the nomination at this session. One of the senators appointed by the Republicans cautions to talk the matter over with the President says the latter was not disengaged at first to transfer Judge Robertson to some other office, provided Conkling would agree not to oppose the other name sent in for collector, which would be that of a man identified with the anti-Conkling element in New York state. When assured that this proposition would be acceptable to Conkling, the President wavered and finally gave expression to the suspicions that he would become involved in a political trap. While the matter was under consideration, however, it leaked out through the newspapers, and then the President announced that he would not adopt it, but let the matter remain for the senate to dispose of.

The President has made known that he would not withdraw the nomination of Wm. E. Chandler, as he has been urged to do.

The Yorktown commission have been offered for \$1,000 a cut glass goblet which formerly belonged to Lord Corwallis. It will not be purchased.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—An inquiry made by a person opposed to Bob Ingersoll's lectures on infidelity on Sunday here has resulted in the opinion from the law officer of the District discrediting some curious law. There is no modern Sunday law here. The statutes of the old Maryland colonies prevail.

The penalty for violating the Sabbath is a hundred pounds of tobacco. There is no law to prevent theaters from opening on Mr. Ingersoll from lecturing on Sunday. There is, however, a severe old Maryland law against blasphemy or denial of the Trinity, and the statute, if strictly enforced, would prevent the clergymen from performing their functions on Sunday. The penalty for denying the Trinity, under the

law which District Attorney Riddlede-clarles is still in force, is that offenders for the first offense, shall be bound through the poor and the gaol, and in case the fine cannot pay the offender is to be imprisoned for twelve months. These judgments represent but a small part of that indebtedness, which the firm say is between \$200,000 and \$300,000. Their assets consist in patents on a compound, "Tele, Rock and Rye," \$50,000, stocks of whisky, \$40,000 to \$50,000, and book accounts and fixtures of \$50,000. Several banks are their creditors for considerable amounts, but are secured by warehouse certificates. They also owe small sums in New York and Louisville, and other cities.

MEMPHIS, May 15.—The annual decoration of the Confederate dead in Elmwood Cemetery was observed to-day with appropriate ceremonies. The attendance numbered about 8,000. The features of the occasion were a chorus of fifty male and female voices, which sang several appropriate hymns; the reading of a poem by Miss Olivia Hill, and the delivery of the oration by ex-Congressman Casey Young. Flowers were contributed from all the surrounding country, even as far south as Jackson, Miss.

The New Boat.

Dr. J. W. Lane, late of Blue Mound, has taken possession of the dental parlor recently occupied by Dr. Dawkins, and will conduct the business there. Doctor Lane was formerly associated with Dr. Waltz in the dental business.

April 20—d&w

If you want mill seed, corn or oats you can be supplied at

SELLABARONN'S. Dec 18—d&w

Bear & Einstein

Have secured one more first class milliner, having been rushed so that they have been compelled to add extra help to accommodate their customers. They would therefore, inform the ladies of Decatur and surrounding country that they can fill all orders at short notice, in first-class style, cheaper than ever offered in this city. Call and see the stock; no trouble to show goods.

10-d&w

26 Cent Fair.

Full regular made seamless Balbriggan Hose, the nicest in the land, worth 40c.

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11—d&w 18 Merchant st.

Mrs. Grindol, at her boarding house

No. 11 West Main street, can furnish

boarding and rooms by the day or week

for a few more boarders; fare good, and

price very reasonable.

March 5—d&f

TERMS Cash—One Price only, all goods

marked in plain figures at Fleury, the

French Cutler Clothing and Merchant

Tailoring establishment.

12 d&w

Linn & Strugis Old Stand.

If you want good bread buy at Milam's

bakery.

24-d&f

IMPORTED Colored Geat's Hose at

STINE'S 11—d&f

BUCKLENS ARNICA SALVE

The best salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Tetters, Chapped hands, Chilblains, Corus, and all kinds of skin eruptions. This Salve is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction in every case or money refunded. Price, 25 cents per box.

The best new hammocks in the city for sale at A. J. Wallace & Co's book-store

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MONDAY EVENING, MAY 15, 1881.

## CITY DEPARTMENT.

REMEMBER—See the unequalled  
Alma before buying any other. Sold  
only by R. D. Bannister & Co.PHILIP REEDMAN Lager beer on draught  
at Philip Reedman's to-morrow. 11<sup>th</sup>  
Court convened this afternoon,  
Judge Smith presiding.

Linen cases at Bruns'.

A week from to-day the evil doers in-  
dicted will receive attention in the circuit  
court.MATTOON has a steam broom factory  
which turns out 150 to 200 brooms each  
week.The best style slippers at J. W. Baker's.  
April 30-dwifA FAREWELL reception will be tendered  
Rev. Balson at the Baptist church this  
evening.GENTLEMEN'S Gauze Undershirts at  
Bruns'. 11-dwifSUNDAY was a lovely spring day, and  
was richly enjoyed by hundreds of people  
who were out promenading.Case paid for cast-off clothing of all  
kinds at Getz's, corner of Prairie and  
Water streets. Also fine clothing repaired  
and secured. [May 13-dwifWHEN they reach Decatur? The Illinois  
"Star Combination," a colored troupe,  
gave an entertainment in Metropolitan  
Hall, Arcola, May 5th. The drama pre-  
sented was called "The King's Revenge."The first selection of Straw Hats in  
the city at Bruns'. 11-dwifALWAYS call at the new Palace Hotel  
when you want first-class accommodations  
at reasonable rates. Nick Laux is in  
charge.HORACE WILLEY's sad fate should prove  
a sufficient warning to all boys and young  
men who cannot swim not to go near  
water.For cheapest and best Summer Cook  
ing Stoves go to Wingate's Decatur Lamp  
Store, Central Block, Merchant street.

May 11-dwif

Ask your dealer for Schroeder's cele-  
brated Bohemian cigars. They are splen-  
did.Just received at Young Bros' a fine lot  
of Michigan Early Rose potatoes.  
2dwifTHE initial number of the Weekly  
Enterprise, published at Owanee, Chris-  
tian county, by Charles M. Danford, is at  
hand. It is a sprightly four-column quarto  
and presents a fine appearance. From the  
Enterprise we learn that Dr. J. S. C.  
Cassius, brother of W. T. Cassius, of  
this city, has been elected supervisor of  
Locust township.FRANCIS Balbriggan gentlemen's under-  
wear at Bruns'. 11-dwifIn the challenge shooting match be-  
tween a picked team from the Taylor-  
ville Guards and another from the Paris  
Guards, which came off at Paris the other  
day, the Taylorville team scored a total  
of 314 and the Paris team 289. There  
were 10 men in each team and each man  
had 10 shots. Distance unknown. The  
highest was 38, made by J. G. Drazen,  
of the Taylorville team.MILAN's bread is always fresh and pure  
and sweet. 14-dwifVIEWS of the city park, April 2, 1881,  
for sale at A. T. Goss's. 14-dwifTAX a load of that nicely-screened soft  
nut coal, (for summer use), at Caldwell's  
Coal Yard. Office with American Ex-  
press Co., three doors west of post office.  
10-dwifLEAVES orders at Young & Norman's  
barber shop and at Walters' & Tyler's  
drug store for William Beard's carriage,  
for parties, funerals and all trains. 7dwifGet a beautiful gold fish pet at Dr.  
Moner's drug store for 40 cents—all sizes.  
7dwifYou ought to examine shoes at J. W.  
Baker's. April 30-dwifPAINTS at Frank Boyd's "English  
Kitchen," on South Water street; 10<sup>th</sup>  
board, \$8 per week; single meals, 25c,  
always on hand, cakes, pie, cider, ice  
cream and lemonade. Menus at all hours  
and lodging furnished for transients.  
May 5-dwifALL horses designed for the eastern  
market this spring should be brought in  
before May 18th. E. B. PRATT.REDDON year shoe bills by buying of  
Barber & Baker. 14-dwifRECEIVED, this day, a lot of New Hart-  
ford and Lowell Carpets.

April 29-dwif LINN &amp; SCRUGGS.

ANOTHER new invoice of Tuscan and  
fancy braids in bonnets and hats, just re-  
ceived at Mrs. R. C. Hamher's, No. 21  
Central Block. Also a fine selection of  
shaded and plaid silks and ribbons, and  
all the latest novelties in the millinery  
line. 4-dwifA RICH man's son lives on his pa, while  
a poor man's son takes Dr. Marshall's  
Bromoline for his blood and liver and  
earns his bread by the sweat of his brow.  
Big bottles 50 cents.POORLY must discuss something; it is  
the great preventive of insanity. All  
persons are invited to discuss a trial bottle  
of Dr. Marshall's Bromoline for bilious-  
ness and dyspepsia.SUIT WANTED.  
To do general housework. Apply at  
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varieties to suit the most fastidious, and at  
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13-dwifThe largest assortment of Summer  
Clothing at Bruns'. 11-dwif.Now change is time of running trains  
on the main line and branches of the  
Wabash road, which took effect Sunday.  
This morning the stop at every station  
passenger train, known as the Jackson-  
ville accommodation, commenced running  
between Bement and Jacksonville. The  
train will leave Decatur every morning,  
westward bound, at 6:30 o'clock, and pass  
through here on its return trip at 7 o'clock  
in the evening. This new arrangement  
will be a big thing for Decatur in a busi-  
ness sense, because people living east of  
here can very conveniently come to this  
city, do their trading and return to their  
homes in good season. The through pas-  
senger trains furnish every needed accom-  
modation for parties living west of  
Decatur.AGAIN Spooks rises to sing with the ir-  
repressible poet that the picnic season is  
drawing near when the young man can  
take on his arm his dear, and his away to  
the dreamy wild wood, where the frolic-  
some squirrels caper around, and the  
daisies modestly carpet the ground, and  
the owl in the tree top solemnly chants,  
and while his sisters, his cousins and his  
aunts interview every nook in his Sunday  
pants, and madly scamper, gyrate and  
dance—as in our remote and happy child-  
hood. These happy times are called pic-  
nics, but the very next day it is—pick  
ticks!THE two vagrants sentenced to work upon  
the streets are still in jail. Order has been  
sent to Cincinnati for twelve 32-pound  
balls and chains, and when they arrive  
the tramps will be taken to the gravel  
bank and with the jewelry attached to  
their limbs, will be made to work under  
the direction of a special guard. All  
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room here for idlers.HORACE WILLEY claims to have a population  
of ten thousand souls, and that the actual  
amount expended for visible improve-  
ments lately made and still in progress is  
\$190,380. This does not include the cost of  
numerous residences to be erected there  
next summer and fall.—*Bloomington Leader*.And Decatur's claim can be fully sub-  
stantiated. Take a drive about our beau-  
tiful and prosperous city; you will quickly  
observe that the *Republican's* recent  
write up was based on solid facts.THERE will be a meeting of the mem-  
bers of the various committees appointed  
for the Alumni Reunion and banquet, at  
the high school building to-morrow even-  
ing at 7:30 o'clock. Members are urgent-  
ly requested to be present.DOWNTREES, from present indications,  
preparations for a proper observance of  
Decoration Day in Decatur will be of a  
spontaneous character, as has been the  
case in past years. Who will be selected to  
deliver the memorial address?

THE MOTHER'S GRIM.

The news of the tragic death of her  
only child was gently broken to the mother,  
Mrs. Jane Willey, by Rev. W. H.  
Prestley, at her residence on North Col-  
lege street, near Eldorado, about a half  
hour after the distressing occurrence. At  
first she could not credit the sad story, but  
when she at last realized the full import of  
her pastor's words, the blow fell upon  
her with crushing weight, and she became  
unconscious. Kind neighbors and  
friends attended the grief stricken moth-  
er, now alone in the world with the hope  
and joy of her earthly life in the person  
of her promising boy, lying cold in death  
and consoled her as best they could dur-  
ing the long hours of the night, and yes-  
terday.

THE SEARCH FOR THE BODY.

The Bloomington *Pantagraph* states  
Captain Reibissee, of that city, has made  
terms with Jacob Schaefer, the world re-  
nowned billiardist, who is to give two ex-  
hibition games at the opera house next  
Saturday and Monday, and is also to play  
at Beisbain's billiard room on those two  
afternoons. He is the greatest billiard  
expert in America, if not in the world, and  
his playing will be a wonderful sight to  
those who know but little of the science  
of the ivories. He will be accompanied  
by Mr. Rudolph Heister, a young expert,  
who has won his laurels in the great cit-  
ies. Decatur will doubtless be represented  
at the Schaefer exhibition.

OILS.

Manager Haines takes pleasure in an-  
nouncing that he has arranged with Ford's  
Cigar Company, from Baltimore, to appear  
in this city on May 30th, in the latest success,  
"Oliver." The company numbers 35 people, and carries full sets of  
scenery. This will be the only opera  
company that has appeared here this  
season, and as the company is a fine one,  
the house will surely be packed.

MANUFACTURERS.

The ladies of the Baptist church will  
furnish the finest strawberries to be had  
in the South at their festival on Friday  
evening of this week at the tabernacle.—  
This will be the initial strawberry festival  
of the season in Decatur. Let there be a  
good turnout. All invited.

SALTED INSTITUTE.

I will organize in some suitable room in this  
city on Tuesday, July 5th, a Musical Institute  
for Children, to continue in session three  
weeks. S. M. Lurk.  
14-dwif

LOST.

On Sunday, between Fleury's and the park,  
a child's bracelet. The finder will  
please return it to this office. 116-dwif

MESSAGES.

Special communication of Ionic Lodge  
No. 312, A. F. & A. M., this (Monday)  
evening, for work in the E. A. degree.  
By order of J. C. HORTONER, W. M.  
J. R. BROWN, Sec.

TAKE CARE.

All persons are warned not to deposit  
filth, manure, or trash of any description  
in the streets or alleys or on any vac-  
ant lot within the city limits. Any per-  
son guilty of such acts will be dealt with  
immediately under the city ordinances  
and punished to the fullest extent of the  
law.

H. W. WAGGONER, Mayor.

14-dwif

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city. See them. CHEAP STORE  
13-dwifFancy class new organs for sale at cost,  
to close out stock, at the bookstores of A.  
J. Wallace & Co. \$30 to \$60 saved by  
buying of them.

13-dwif

DEATH BY DROWNING.

Horace Willey's Sad Fate at the Water  
Works Dam on Saturday After-  
noon.Details of the Drowning Affair—The Search  
for the Body.A few minutes past three o'clock, on  
last Saturday afternoon, after the greater  
portion of the *Republican's* edition for  
that day had been worked off, the start-  
ing intelligence of the sad death of Hor-  
ace Willey by drowning, reached this  
office by special messenger and by tele-  
phone. The news spread with great  
rapidity about the city, and soon the fact  
that a boy had been accidentally drowned  
was generally known. The unfortunate  
occurrence was the principal topic of con-  
versation on the streets, in offices and in  
dwellings, where parents improved the  
opportunity of speaking of the accident,  
to read a gentle lesson to the boys of the  
various households.

HOW IT HAPPENED.

It appears from the most reliable state-  
ment that can be gathered from the boys  
who were at the dam when poor Horace  
went down to rise no more, that he had  
gone to the river soon after noon Saturday  
in company with Guy Parke. They  
went in Horace's one-horse spring wagon,  
for the purpose of fishing. A few min-  
utes before three o'clock Horace, who  
could not swim, proposed going into the  
water, but Guy refused. Horace, little  
dreaming of the sad fate which awaited  
him, dived and was soon wading in  
shallow water. He went in about 40 feet  
below the dam south of the north bank of  
the river. Quite a number of boys were  
in the water at the time, but they paid no special attention to  
young Willey. He seemed to be in no  
danger, but suddenly he came to a "step off" or washout at the point stated, where  
there is a strong back current, and he  
went under, crying loudly for help as he  
struggled as well as he could to regain his  
footing. The boys in the water at the  
time all became frightened, and doubt-  
less through fear of being pulled under  
themselves, they ran quickly to the shore.  
A boy in a boat pushed out to rescue the  
drowning young man, but his efforts were  
fruitless, as Horace had gone down for  
the third and last time. The depth of the  
water where Horace went down was about  
six feet, and the deepest place at any  
point below the dam is not more than 9  
feet. As soon as Guy Parke saw that his  
friend had been drowned he hurried to the  
city and gave the alarm.

THE BODY FOUND.

Between 5 and 6 o'clock, Fred Jones,  
the painter, George Warren and C. W.  
Hedberg, who thought perhaps the body  
had floated down stream, got into the  
water at a point 175 yards down the  
river, and began wading about among the  
willows in shallow water. They went in  
from the north bank. They had not been  
in the water more than five minutes before  
George Warren called out that he had  
struck something that felt strangely, and  
on further examination, the discolored  
object proved to be the body of young  
Willey. It was lifted up and carried to the  
shore, where it was turned over to the  
coroner.</

